# **SENATE**

# . No. 921

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Stephen M. Brewer

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the safety of law enforcement officers.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Stephen M. Brewer	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin
Richard T. Moore	Worcester and Norfolk
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Scott P. Brown	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
Stephen Kulik	1st Franklin
Vincent A. Pedone	15th Worcester
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
William Smitty Pignatelli	4th Berkshire
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Robert S. Hargraves	1st Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SAFETY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 275 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006

Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof, the following words:- ";

provided further that any law enforcement officer, in the course of official business, shall be

permitted to carry such weapons as are authorized by his appointing authority while in any state

5 or county courthouse.

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As used in this section, 'law enforcement officer' shall mean any state, county, or

municipal police officer or special state police officer authorized to make arrests or serve

8 criminal process.